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TIMBER, PAPER INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY INCREASES;
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LENINGRAD PLANT PRODUCE PLYWOOD PIPE -- Leningradskaya Pravda, No 164,
14 Jul 49

The Plant imeni Av. ov in Leningrad has a special shop for the pro-
duction of plywood pipe, which began operations fairly recently. The
new production process was developed by the Scientific Research Institute
for Plywood in a special laboratory under the supervision of V. P. Banko,
head of the laboratory, and his assistant, Engineer A. A. Porokhin.

A careful test of the new pipe has shown that it has all the essential
qualities: high durability, resistance, and in contrast to metal pipe, it
is not subject to corrosion.

The plant is now planning to start mass production of plywood pipe.

ESTONIAN PAPER COMBINE INCREASES OUTPUT -- Sovetskaya Estoniya, No 167,
17 Jul 49

Output of the Cellulose-Paper Combine imeni V. Kingisepp during 1949
has increased 22.5 percent over 1948. The combine made above-plan profits
of 1,525,000 rubles during the first 6 months of 1949. Paper machine No 3,
which was destroyed during the war, has been put in operation after a year
of repair work.

TIMBER FLOATING STARTED -- Sovetskaya Kirgiziya, No 139, 17 Jul 49

Timber floating has begun on the sections of the Osh Timber Management.
This season, 5,000 cubic meters of timber will be floated.

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LITHUANIAN LUMBER MILL EXCEEDS PLAN -- Sovetskaya Litva, No 184, 10 Jul 49

The "Naumedis" Lumber Mill in Kaunas fulfilled the second-quarter plan for lumber sawing 150 percent, and the year plan for production of lumber 300 percent.

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CHITA TIMBER INDUSTRY FALLS BEHIND -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 131, 6 Jul 49

In 1949, the Chita Oblast timber industry is scheduled to double the volume of logging and hauling of timber. Enterprises of the "Chitles" Trust have pledged to complete the year plan by 5 December and to procure 100,000 cubic meters of timber above plan.

The timber industry as a whole, however, is still operating inefficiently this year. Neither the "Chitles" Trust nor the timber division of the Transbaikalian Railroad System are meeting their plans. The work of unloading timber in harbors is proceeding at a particularly slow rate. At the Chita Timber Management, only 8,000 cubic meters of timber have been unloaded in 1 1/2 months, while more than 70,000 cubic meters still remain in the water from last year. An additional 183,000 cubic meters are due to arrive soon in the harbor, increasing the gravity of the situation.

Okinchits, former director of the timber management, and Artugancy, former director of the Cheremkhovo Timber Management, have been removed from office for failing to alleviate such conditions. The industry must cease its conservatism in organizing labor, utilizing existing machinery, and introducing the continuous method of operations. Training of skilled personnel must also be promoted by improving the work of training courses, organizing technical minimum study courses, Stakhanovite schools, etc.

Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 135, 12 Jul 49

In the first 6 months of 1949, timber managements of the "Chitles" Trust fell short of the state plan for timber hauling by 82,000 cubic meters, and for logging, by 56,000 cubic meters of timber. One of the main causes for the lag is the inefficient utilization of machinery. Of the 11 PEG-60 electric power plants, only two are in operation. The increase in mechanically skilled personnel is not proportionate to the increase in mechanized equipment. The timber managements are only 50-percent staffed with personnel qualified to operate machines. For example, the Cheremkhovo Timber Management recently received 15 trucks, but has no drivers for them. The management has a fleet of 100 trucks, requiring 200 drivers on a two-shift basis, but has only 90 drivers, some of whom are not actually qualified. The Chita Timber Management has only half of the drivers needed to man its trucks.

The need for skilled personnel is great. To make effective use of all machine equipment, the Chita timber managements need more than 300 drivers and automobile mechanics, more than 140 electric saw operators and electricians for mobile power plants, many tractor operators, and workers in other skills. Neither the trust nor the managements, however, are taking any steps to train personnel. The Drovyaninskaya training base of the trust, the main agency for training workers in mechanical skills, is operating inefficiently and does not stress practical training. The Stakhanovite schools in the enterprises exist more on paper than in fact. The trust and the managements must take immediate steps to correct this situation.

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CHITA GETS NEW TIMBER TECHNICAL SCHOOL -- Zabaykal'skiy Rabochiy, No 119,
19 Jun 49

In accordance with a state decree, a new timber technical school to train specialists in the mechanization and power engineering of logging for the timber industry of Eastern Siberia will be opened this year in Chita. The school will have three departments -- mechanization of logging, electrification of logging, and automobile transport management. The school's yearly quota is 90 students. This year, students will be registered in the first, second and third courses of all three departments. The school will have a timber enterprise with an area of 10,000 hectares in the vicinity of Chita for training purposes. A base for training personnel in mechanical skills is also being organized. The consultation center of the Central Correspondence Timber Technical School has already opened.

It has been decided to construct a school building, dormitory, and workshops for the school in Chita. Three million rubles have been allocated for expenditure in 1950 for these projects. The "Chitles" Trust has sent the school many machines, including automobiles, electric power plants, S-80 and KT-12 tractors, electric hoists, electric saws, and metalworking machine tools. The Tomsk Timber Technical School has also sent equipment and machinery. Classes in the new school will begin on 1 September.

LISTS TIMBER AND PAPER INDUSTRY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS -- Trud, No 152, 30 Jun 49

The Administration of Educational Institutions, Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry USSR, is accepting students for the 1949-1950 school year at the following technical schools:

Alatyr' Forestry Engineering (Alatyr', Chuvash ASSR), Arkhangel'sk Timber Machinery (Arkhangel'sk), Balakhninskiy Machinery (Pravdinsk), Kalashnikov Planning and Accounting (Kalashnikovo, Kalinin Oblast), Kaliningrad Cellulose-Paper (Kaliningrad), Kamenskiy Cellulose-Paper (Kuvshinov, Kalinin Oblast), Kaunas Cellulose-Paper (Kaunas), Kostroma Timber Water-Transport (Kostroma), Krasnovishersk Cellulose-Paper (Krasnovishersk, Molotov Oblast), Krasnoyarsk Forestry Engineering (Krasnoyarsk), Kudyavkar Forestry Engineering (Kudyavkar, Molotov Oblast), Kungur Forestry Engineering (Kungur), Leningrad Cellulose-Paper (Leningrad), L'vov Machinery (L'vov), Maymaka Timber Water Transport (Maymaka, Arkhangel'sk Oblast).

Maria Cellulose-Paper (Volzhsk), Moscow Timber Machinery (Pravda Station, Yaroslavl' Railroad), Obozerskaya Forestry Engineering (Obozerskaya, Arkhangel'sk Oblast), Pishchal'skiy Hydrolysis (Verkhoshizhskiy Rayon, Kirov Oblast), Volga Forestry Engineering (Yoshkar-Ola), Sarapul Timber Machinery (Sarapul), Sakhalin Forestry Engineering (Yuzhno-Sakhalinsk city Toyohara), Syktyvkar Forestry Engineering (Syktyvkar, Komi ASSR), Sokol Cellulose-Paper (Sokol), Tavda Mechanized Lumber Milling (Tavda, Sverdlovsk Oblast), Tikhvin Wood Chemistry (Tikhvin, Leningrad Oblast), Tomsk Forestry Engineering (Tomsk), Tot'ma Forestry Engineering (Tot'ma Vologda Oblast), Tuchkovo Forestry Engineering (Tuchkovo, Western Railroad System), Ussurka Forestry Engineering (Lesozavodsk, Primorskiy Krai), Cherdyn' Forestry Engineering (Cherdyn', Molotov Oblast), Cherepovets Timber Machinery (Cherepovets, Vologda Oblast), Chita Forestry Engineering (Chita).

Central Correspondence Forestry Engineering (Zubovskaya, 3, Moscow), Bobruysk Mechanized Lumber Milling (Bobruysk, Belorussian SSR), Vetluga Timber Water Transport (Vetluga, Gor'kiy Oblast), Gomel' Forestry Engineering (Gomel'), Gor'kiy Forestry Engineering (Chernukha, Gor'kiy Oblast), Transcarpathian Forestry Engineering (Khust, Zakarpatskiy Oblast), Karelo-Finnish Forestry Engineering (Petrozavodsk), Kremenets Forestry Engineering

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(Belokrinitsa, Kremenskiy Rayon, Ternopol' Province, Ukraine)
 Engineering (Kutaisi), Malin Forestry Engineering (Malinskoye, Krasnodar Krai),
 Marinsko-Posad Forestry Engineering (Marinskoye, Krasnodar Krai),
 Murontsevo Forestry Engineering (Murontsevo, Krasnodar Krai),
 Oblast), Ogre Forestry Engineering (Ogre, Latvian SSR),
 Engineering (Tikhometsa, Pyarm Uyezd, Kholmian Krai),
 Engineering (Ufa).

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With the exception of planning and accounting training, which runs for 3 years, all courses run for 4 years. Citizens of other republics up to 30 years old who have completed the seventh grade are exempt from entrance examinations. Entrance examinations will be held 1 - 20 August on the USSR Constitution, Russian language, and mathematics.

Schools open on 1 September. All worthy students of forestry engineering technical schools are provided scholarships. Children of military personnel, people receiving disability pensions, and children of workers in timber industry enterprises and organizations of the Ministry of Timber and Paper Industry USSR, Ministry of Communications USSR, Ministry of Metallurgical Industry USSR, and Ministry of Construction Materials Industry USSR are exempt from paying tuition.

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